

May 26, 1922

Mr. John Golden,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Golden:

May I ask your judgment as to the dramatic possibilities in the little book which I am sending you, "He Knew Lincoln and Other Billy Brown Stories."

Chick Sale, whose work of course you know, has talked to me several times about a possible play out of the material of the book for him. If anyone could create the character of Billy Brown, I feel sure it is Sale. The original of the character used Mr. Lincoln as a kind of touchstone in his relations with people. It seemed to me that this might be effectively employed in a play - the Deus ex machina of the thing - Billy Brown finding the key to whatever might be the plot in what Mr. Lincoln might have done or said.

If you see anything at all in it, might I come in and talk with you at your convenience?

Yours very truly,